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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A petition for a one-month extension of time is being submitted herewith extending the time for reply from October 13, 2005 to November 13, 2005. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Applicants believe that no further extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 23-1951.

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